

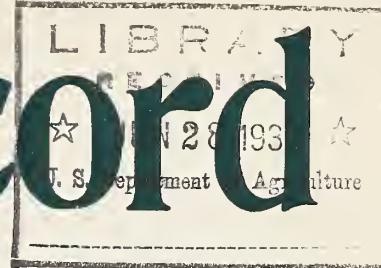
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4-H MUSIC HATH CHARMS

We 4-H campers have really proved during our stay here in Washington, D. C., that we truly appreciate and love the charms of our own 4-H music. At every turn we sing -- at assemblies, on the busses while going on tours, in the hall of the cafeteria while waiting for our meals, and at the Administration Tent before taps.

Miss Gardner, in her most gracious and admirable manner, has helped us to climb "The Upward Trail" by teaching us new songs as well as leading us in familiar ones.

We have all enjoyed this singing together which has contributed to the jollity of the camp, but all 4-H'ers were thrilled to the utmost when we heard the United States Marine Band play its selections on Monday morning at the Marine Barracks. All of us will go back home to our radios to listen to this same band on the National 4-H programs with a greater appreciation of the music it is interpreting.

We have been entertained excellently also by a concert by the Elks Boys' Band, James L. Kidwell, director, and by the Glee Club of Chi Omega Sorority of George Washington University, Ralph Jacobson, director.

Certainly music has been a large factor contributing to our happiness at camp. We have got up and gone to bed by music. How grand it will be to take home these pleasant memories that the charms of 4-H music have given us - music "of, by, and for" the 4-H campers.

Pauline Hudson

Pauline Hudson
Virginia.

SHAKESPEAREAN BROWSINGS

The Folger Shakespeare Library is a magnificent structure containing an array of books, documents, autographs, and original manuscripts, many of which have been owned and presented by great poets and playwrights all over the world. There are numerous carvings, sculptures, Shakespearean theatrical models, oil paintings, as well as rare books and tales from every great man and woman author in the world. There is also an exhibition of one of the first books of songs and airs, surpassed in historical interest only by the copy of originals at the British Huntington Museum.

The building is modernistic in design - the interior of Tudor style and the exterior fitted with an indirect lighting system. Facilities for study and research are open to anyone receiving a permit from the committee in charge.

As one enters the Library, Shakespeare greets his many guests who examine his great works with the inscription, "I shower a welcome on you. Welcome all." This is an inspiration in itself. In the ceiling one sees the familiar quotation, "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players."

As the visitor moves on he finds to his astonishment the best-known and the most authentic Elizabethan playhouse in the country. The original audiences did not have the accommodations of seats that is in the yard bottom of the playhouse. Seats were only provided in the galleries. An outstanding feature of the theatre is the stage. It is simply constructed with varied colored lighting effects and being spacious is suitable for different scenic shifts. Within the main library are many volumes of Shakespeare's writings in which he presents the greatest history of civilization to human mankind.

As John Milton writes:

"What needs my Shakespeare for his honour'd bones,--
The labour of an age in piled stones?
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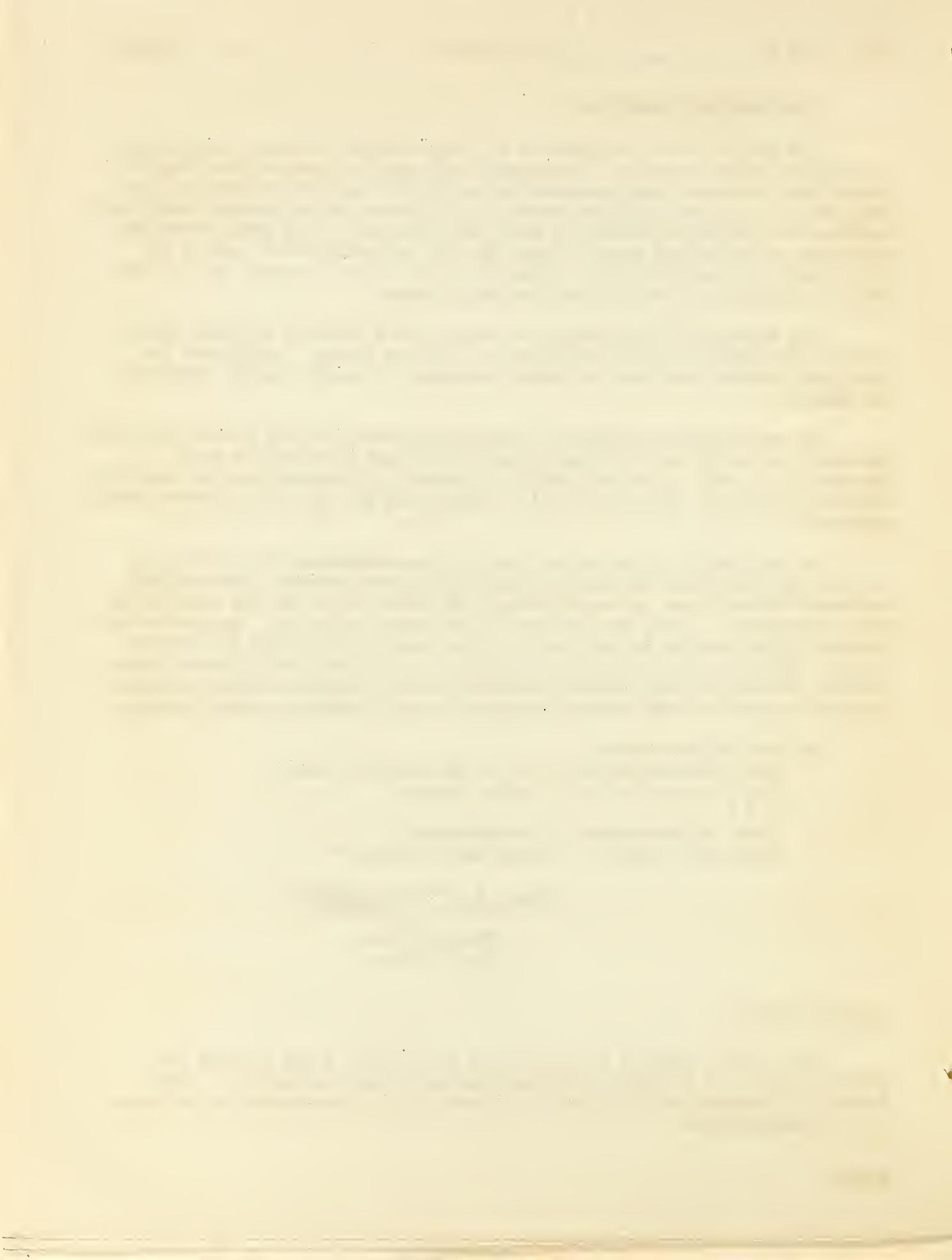
Thou in our wonder and astonishment
Hast built thyself a living long monument."



Gordon Potter
North Dakota

HALLOWED GROUND

Bugle call followed the placing of the wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery, Sunday afternoon. Wilma Schaefer of Vermont and Alan Oviatt of South Dakota represented us in honoring the unknown dead.



"Here in glory lies an American soldier known but to God," reads the inscription. We were all moved by the impressive service.

Arlington House, or the Robert E. Lee Mansion, proved to be a most interesting experience. We particularly noticed the beds and the period furniture. The boys took special notice of the wine cellar! Roses used throughout the rooms added to the charm. The clocks ticking merrily in all rooms made us feel that someone really lived there now.

Martha Wreath
Kansas

SUNDAY WORSHIP IN GEORGE WASHINGTON'S CHURCH

Most of the 4-H Club members attending the National 4-H Club Camp traveled by transit buses to Alexandria, Va., last Sunday to worship in historic Christ Church in which President George Washington and General Robert E. Lee worshiped. The Rev. Harry Lee Doll is the rector of this only church building now standing in Alexandria that was erected during the Colonial period.

Many interesting tombstones are in this churchyard, which was used as the town burying ground until 1807 when burials were restricted to church membership. At the entrance of the church is a bronze tablet in memory of Washington's pallbearers.

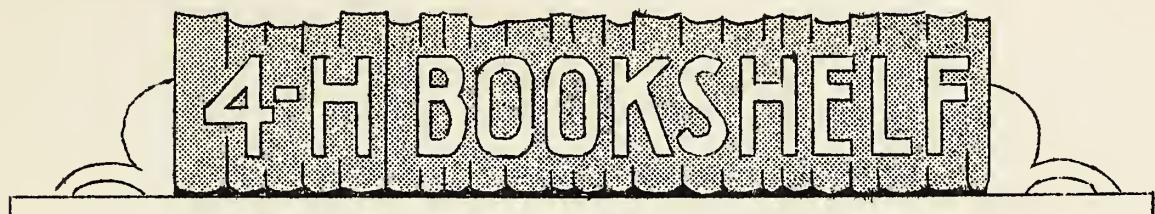
Inside the church the high pews have been cut down but the pulpit still stands high above the heads of the congregation. A cut-glass chandelier under the rear gallery hangs where it was installed in 1818. On either side of the pulpit are tablets bearing the Ten Commandments, Lord's Prayer, and Apostles' Creed which remain as originally placed, in perfect condition. On the east wall are placed two memorial tablets to George Washington and Robert E. Lee, which are just a few steps from the pews which were occupied by these two great men. The large organ whose rich tones sounded throughout the church was presented about 10 years ago by the Carnegie Foundation.

Everyone left the church last Sunday with a better impression of the life of these two men and received inspiration from the sacredness and simplicity of the church as well as the impressive Episcopal service.

Dorus Stone
Dorus Stone
Florida

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Have you collected all six issues of The 4-H Record? They're in the Press Tent.



Have you visited the Camp book nook? Have you taken into account the many types of books which are available there? Have you read today's newspaper? Have you checked up on the new plants which you find here and which are new to you? If you have not done any of these things and would like to, I suggest that you visit the camp library.

This library was carefully selected and arranged by Miss Cora Feldkamp, who is our librarian. She has taken great trouble to make this little library a perfect model of a typical 4-H library, and I believe we should visit it to see these selections.

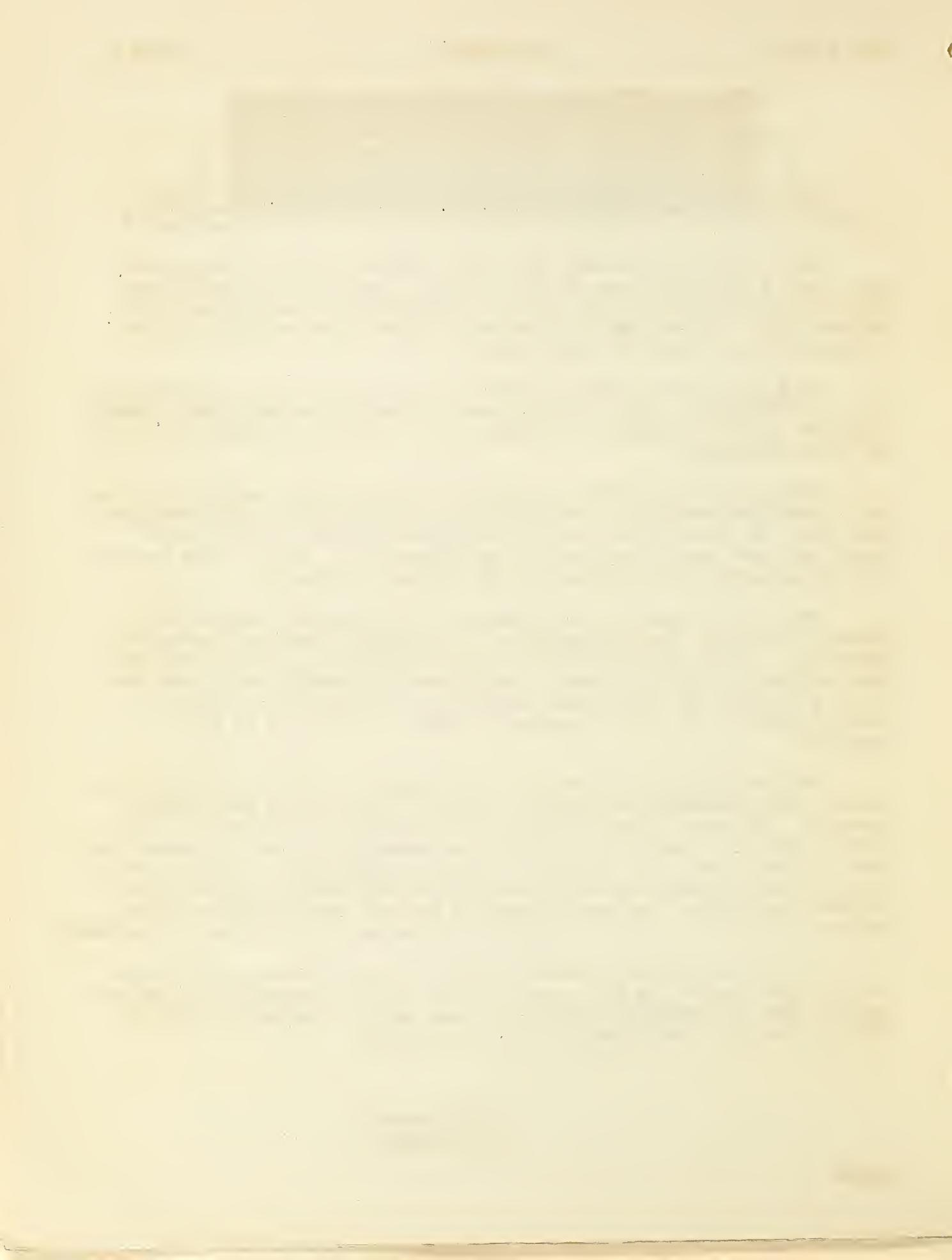
The types of books found here are the usual reference books such as the large unabridged dictionary, and pamphlets. The Times-Herald, The Washington Daily News, The Evening Star, and The Washington Post are the daily newspapers which are brought regularly to the library tent. We also have two outstanding magazines, 4-H Horizons, and The National Geographic.

Other books available are on natural history subjects such as Wild Flowers, Bird Lover, Sporting Family of the Old South, Garden of Gourds, and Insect Ways. Books dealing with music history and great games are there too. There are many good fiction books. The Endless Furrow tells how a young man builds a home and the difficulties which he had. Adventures in 4-H is a story of Hannah's and Benny's progress in their 4-H Club work in their community.

Perhaps after you have visited this library you may have some good suggestions for establishing a library of the same model in your own immediate community. You have a library in town, but has it material that would help your 4-H members to develop in knowledge and leadership, as well as amuse them? Does it contain statistics in regard to various improvements in club records? Did you know that there have been one-half more club members completing their projects than before? For such information one must seek special reference material which may be obtained through the Extension Service if you are interested.

I'm sure if you are interested enough to start a library of this sort that you could secure the full cooperation of the 4-H members of your own community. When the community interest has been aroused, they will be glad to assist in making a good library for the young folks.

Azalia Hammond
North Dakota.



ARTS AND INDUSTRIES

Tuesday afternoon we went through the Arts and Industries Building in which are preserved many of the Nation's treasures, collections, and models of different types of machinery which were important in developing and enriching our country. I cannot do justice in describing this building of exhibits in the space that is permitted me, therefore, I shall attempt to describe in brief some of the most interesting things that we saw.

Upon entering the door, Colonel Lindbergh's plane, the Spirit of St. Louis, catches everyone's eye. Though it is suspended from the ceiling, there is a diagram describing it in detail in a nearby showcase. Col. Lindbergh's personal possessions, such as his clothes, guns, and a few articles that he carried with him, were also on display.

In another section of the building, one's attention is drawn to the Winnie Mae which was owned by the late Wiley Post. There were also several early types of airplanes and gliders which were interesting. Another display showed cotton being carded and the various steps it went through until it was manufactured into cloth. There was also a reproduction of a copper mine and a coal mine. In connection with the coal mine, a model coal-mining town was on display.

Other sections of the building portrayed the development of electricity, steam engines, and water and land transportation. Perhaps the exhibit attracting the most attention was that of automobiles. Practically the first automobiles manufactured were on exhibit. In showcases they even had motors which were run by electricity in order to show the principles involved. A very interesting feature of the above exhibit was a 1902 Franklin which sold for \$1,200 at that time.

After we had walked around as long as we cared to, we wandered out onto the lawn and the park benches to rest a good many pairs of tired feet. There were several pairs of blistered feet, according to the comments which I heard. However, I am sure that everyone thoroughly enjoyed the tour.

Ralph H. Perry
Vermont

GETTING READY FOR THE CAMP PARTY

After a delightful visit to the Latvian Legation we rushed to the Department of Labor to eat and then back to camp to get ready for the party. Of course, everybody is to wear uniforms. Also, Miss Gardner said "to wear your best smiles and your dancing feet." We do hope the blistered heels and toes won't interfere.



Right now it seems everybody is getting dressed, so it would be a good idea for me to do the same. It appears to me that the girl from Puerto Rico and the girl from Nebraska have the same idea about the party, so girls must be the same the world over.

Ruth Brennan
Ruth Brennan
Tennessee

DEVELOPMENT OF LEADERSHIP ABILITY

On Tuesday morning Dr. Smith began his inspiring talk by saying that nothing is accomplished without work. Being farm boys and girls, we well know that on the farm one learns how and when to work - all of which is a great asset. Dr. Smith brought out the fact that on the farm and from our fine 4-H organization we have done things that better prepare us for life. Because of this background we, the oncoming youth of the Nation, will set its ideals and dominate its thinking; wherever we go, whether it be on the farm or in the urban areas, we must be leaders of our great Nation. It is evident that good training is necessary, and much of this is met by the 4-H Club work, as through club work our judgment is trained and the social and spiritual aspects of our personalities are developed. We learn to be good citizens through our planning for the future.

Dr. Smith brought out the advantages coming from dealing with real situations, rather than with fantastic ones. He told us that since we were delegates from our States it was our obligation to go back home and give all rural boys and girls the opportunities of 4-H Club work. He closed with the challenge, "May we live up to the best that's in us."

Alvin Anthony
Alvin Anthony
Virginia

RECREATION AT CAMP

Tired? No! One would think these boys and girls would be completely exhausted after their strenuous day of conferences, tours, and excitement. But such is not the case. Back in camp with a few free minutes and a horseshoe game is in progress. Not only horsehoes - but a volley-ball court is handy in our tent city. Besides those two games we have the usual 4-H Club soft-ball - a true 4-H sport-for I think it is played everywhere by 4-H boys and girls. These hardy sons and daughters of rural America just don't seem to get tired. They have a tireless energy and a love of competition that make them want to get together and play.

Thomas McKee
Thomas McKee
Pennsylvania



THE 4-H CAMPER BROADCASTS FROM WASHINGTON

A thrill which touched 172 boys and girls of the whole Nation was experienced at the National Farm and Home Hour broadcast when the 4-H delegates visited the U. S. Marine Barracks. Mr. John C. Baker was master of ceremonies. Six boys and girls representing all parts of the Nation gave interesting synopses of their years in club work and the projects they had carried. Praises of club work, the future of American agriculture, and the need of rural democracy were given by Mr. Lloyd, who is in the Extension Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Appropriate musical numbers before the radio discussion included Under the Double Eagle and Your Land and My Land. John C. Baker, radio extension specialist, interviewed six young persons on the following topics: Bread, beauty, and brains essential for satisfactory living. An abbreviated National 4-H music hour was announced by Mr. Turner and musical selections were played by the Marine Band.

Charles Hoyt
Kansas

GRAND CAMP! SAYS NURSE SCHWARTZ

After paying tribute to Nurse Hartley for her 11 years of service, we next turned to Mrs. Schwartz and found she was something of a veteran herself. "Oh, no! This isn't my first year" said Mrs. Schwartz. "I've been at camp 5 years." "I'm especially interested in club work because I have 12 nieces and nephews who are 4-H members." (And no wonder she's proud of them - two have been delegates here at National Camp, one coming to the very first camp!)

"Today has undoubtedly been the busiest day," said Mrs. Schwartz. (Now, of course, we were talking in terms of blistered feet, tummy aches, and colds.) "But it's always like that," continued the nurse. "The delegates are quite tired by the end of a week's crowded schedule here at National Camp."

Mrs. Schwartz feels that there are no great changes in Camp from year to year because after all, it's mostly the spirit of the delegates that makes Camp the grand place it is. "One new thing added this year," said Nurse Schwartz "was a hospital bed." (It really looks comfortable, too, but don't get ill just to try it out.) "I think National 4-H Camp is really grand! I wouldn't want to miss it for the world," continued Mrs. Schwartz. "These delegates are the finest young people I have ever known." So let's give Nurse Schwartz a real hand! We do appreciate our capable nurses.

X Anne Vulgamore
K. Anne Vulgamore
Ohio

NATURAL HISTORY BUILDING

This beautiful building was erected at a cost of approximately \$3,500,000 with Federal funds from 1904 to 1910, after plans of the architects Hornblower and Marshall. The first spadeful of earth was turned by S. P. Langley, third secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

In the basement we find exhibits of special art, colonial rooms, and flora of the District of Columbia. On the first floor there is a realistic group of North American aborigines and also birds of the tropics and animals, such as musk-ox lions, brought back by Theodore Roosevelt.

The Hall of Old World Archeology is on the second floor. Here we find a collection of marine animals such as the devilfish, moonfish, and sailfish.

Marion Manning

Marion Manning
Mississippi

SYLVAN THEATER NIGHT

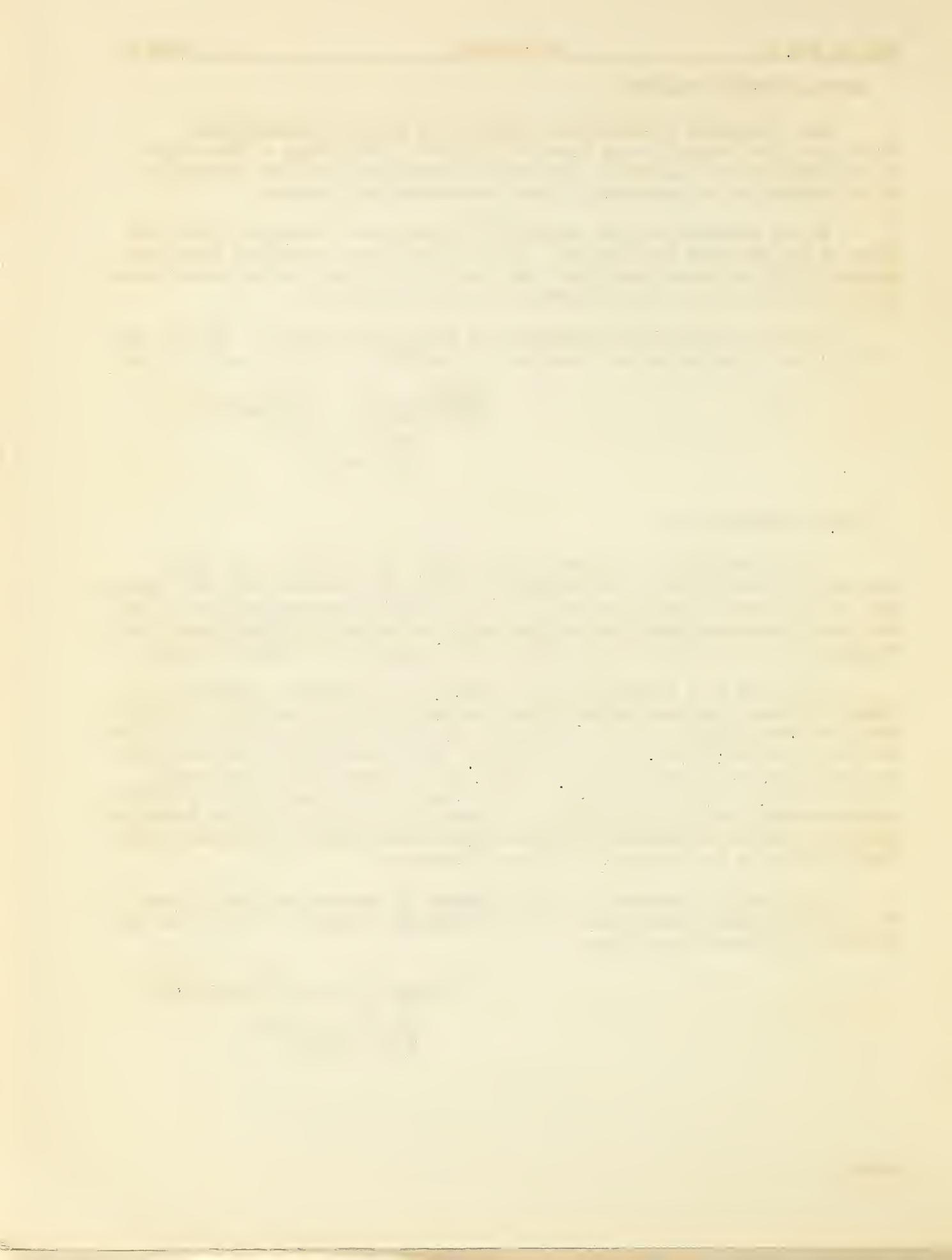
To the strains of a stirring march played by the Elks Boys' Band, directed by James Kidwell, the delegates entered the auditorium of the Department of Agriculture, Monday night to enjoy an evening crowded with music and laughter. Because of rain the program could not be held in the Sylvan Theater as planned but was held indoors. This did not dampen our spirits however.

With much foot tapping and head swaying, the delegates enjoyed the Donkey Serenade, the Beer Barrel Polka, and last but not least that thrilling song, God Save America. After a splendid greeting by Elaine Glorius from the boys and girls of Washington, the delegates were entertained by George Kiley who sang three grand songs for us. Next the Chi Omega girls sang several songs which were quite outstanding. The climax of this evening was a Shakespearean comedy entitled "Katherine and Petruchio" presented by the Washington Players, in which Katherine, although a very bad-tempered and stubborn girl, finally gives in to the equally stubborn Petruchio.

No, I hadn't forgotten our grand master of ceremonies, Harry Synar, who is that living advertisement for the Oklahoma Wildcats. None of the 1939 delegates will ever forget him.

Mary Jane Nichols

Mary Jane Nichols
West Virginia



THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL, Mount St. Albans, is one of the greatest cathedrals in the world. It is surpassed in size by only a few cathedrals in Europe, which have a slightly larger seating capacity.

The idea of a cathedral in the Nation's Capital originated in the early days of American history. Major L'Enfant, working under the general direction of George Washington, instigated a church for national purposes in the United States Capitol. Mount Saint Albans, one of the most commanding elevations in the District of Columbia, 400 feet above the Potomac River, was chosen as its site. The site purchased in 1898 has been greatly augmented by generous gifts of land so that today the cathedral close covers an area of $67\frac{1}{2}$ acres. The city of Washington, the Potomac Valley, and the hills of Virginia and Maryland are visible from the cathedral grounds.

In the years which have elapsed since the little group of consecrated men began the task of constructing this inspiring edifice, approximately 75,000 persons from every State in the Union have come to share the vision and have contributed more than two million dollars.



Gordon Potter
North Dakota

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"Secretary Wallace talks like a regular farmer", reported Richard Hamilton of Connecticut and Hubert Blanchard, Jr. of Arkansas. It seems that after the 4-H Club delegation had presented the gavel to the Secretary, Tuesday, he expressed his appreciation for the gift and then turned to Hubert and said, "Well, how are things back home in Arkansas? Have you had any rain lately?"

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Be sure to stop in the Book Nook (Conference Tent) and look at the books which Miss Feldkamp has selected especially for you as suggestions on what to read and what to buy for your 4-H libraries. She will be glad to send you lists of these books if you tell her you are interested in receiving the information.

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Mrs. E. T. Meredith, widow of former Secretary of Agriculture Meredith, entertained the 4-H girls and their State leaders at tea at the Shoreham Hotel on Monday afternoon.

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MEALTIME AT NATIONAL CAMP is a thing of great interest among the delegates, and no one wants to miss it. The meals have been served at the Department of Commerce and Department of Labor buildings in cafeteria style. This is done by taking a tray, pushing it along the rail, and selecting the food of one's choice. With our food on the tray we go into an adjoining room to eat. I am sure that no one went hungry because they certainly gave us plenty of food. Three cheers for those three square meals a day at the Thirteenth National Club Camp!

Everette Davis
Florida

INSPIRATION FROM THE CAMP BULLETIN BOARDS

As our Thirteenth National Club Camp is fast drawing to a close I think we should be formulating some excellent thoughts that we may carry through life. Here is "A Creed" written by Edgar A. Guest that we, as club members might well try to follow through life.

"To live each day as though I may never see the morrow come; to be strict with myself, but patient and lenient with others; to give the advantage, but never ask for it; to be kindly to all, but kindlier to the less fortunate; to respect all honest employment; to remember always that my life is made easier and better by the service of others, and to be grateful.

"To be tolerant and never arrogant; to treat all men with equal courtesy; to be true to my own in all things; to make as much as I can of my strength and day's opportunity, and meet disappointment without resentment.

"To be friendly and helpful wherever possible; to do without display of temper or of bitterness, all that fair conduct demands; to keep my money free from sinning or the shame of a hard bargain; to govern my actions so that I may fear neither reproach, nor words of malice, nor envy, and to maintain, at whatever temporary cost, my own self-respect.

"To keep faith with God, my fellow man, and my country. This is my creed and my philosophy. I have failed it often, and shall fail it many times again; but by these teachings of my mother and my father I have lived to the best of my ability; laughed often, loved, suffered, grieved, found consolation, and have prospered. By friendships I have been enriched, and the home I have built has been happy."

Another thought from our bulletin board - a favorite of mine- is an excerpt from Oliver Wendell Holmes: "The human race is divided into two classes - those who go ahead and do something, and those who sit and inquire, 'Why wasn't it done the other way?'"

There is no better time than the present for us to decide which of these classes of people we shall be in. Certainly none of us desire to be in the latter class. We should each have a goal in mind and strive onward toward that goal. But - should we not do a thing we have an opportunity to do, let us never be guilty of saying of another, "Why I should have done that this way."

In closing these few remarks may I give you another bulletin-board quotation which needs no explanation. Horace Mann, a great educator, said, "Doing nothing for others is the undoing of ourselves."

May each of you receive some food for thought from these remarks. Here's hoping that each of us will go home and practice the fine qualities of LEADERSHIP that we have discussed at this Thirteenth National 4-H Club Camp.

Good-bye and good luck.

Maudine Plew

Maudine Plew
Oklahoma



